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SUBJ: ALGERIANS INTRODUCE KOREAN AMENDMENT

1. WE UNDERSTAND THE ALGERIAN DELEGATE SUBMITTED A DRAFT AMENDMENT THIS MORNING, APRIL 8, TO THE DRAFT DECLARATION ON KOREA. ACCORDING TO THE JAPANESE EMBASSY TEAM WHO OBTAINED THE INFORMATION THE LANGUAGE IS THE SAME AS THAT IN THE COLOMBO DECLARATION. NO OBJECTION WAS RAISED IN THIS MORNINGS NAC POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEETING AND THE AMENDMENT WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE PLENARY ON APRIL 11. THE JAPANESE TEAM UNDERSTANDS THAT INDIA WILL FILE A RESERVATION TO THE ALGERIAN AMENDMENT (TEXT BY SEPTTEL) ON THE 11TH.

2. ROK AMBASSADOR BUM SUK LEE TELEPHONED THE CHARGE WITH ESSENTIALLY THE SAME INFORMATION THIS AFTERNOON. ACCORDING TO LEE, INDIA IS ALSO PREPARING AN AMENDMENT. LEE REPORTED HE HAD DISCUSSED THE KOREAN
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QUESTION YESTERDAY AFTERNOON WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY MEHTA AND FOUND THE LATTER "WARMLY PREPARED TO BE COOPERATIVE". LEE SAID HE HAD AN APPOINTMENT TO SEE MEA SECRETARY VELLODI ON APRIL 9 TO PURSUE THE ROK POSITION AND HOPED AT MINIMUM TO GET THE INDIANS TO STRIKE THE WORD "IMPERIALISM" FROM THE AMENDMENT.

3. HE ASKED THE CHARGE TO CONSIDER A DEMARCHE AT THE FOREIGN SECRETARY OR SECRETARY LEVEL. THE CHARGE

REPLIED THAT HAD ALREADY MADE A REPRESENTATION ON THE KOREAN QUESTION TO THE GOI. HE ADDED THAT WE WOULD WANT TO CONSIDER VERY CAREFULLY WHETHER ANYTHING FURTHER THE EMBASSY DID IN THIS CONNECTION WOULD BE HELPFUL.

4. THE JAPANESE EMBASSY OFFICERS FIRST SECRETARY KANISHI AND MISS KATSUNO, JAPANESE MEA OFFICER HANDLING KOREAN AFFAIRS, SUBSEQUENTLY PROPOSED TO ACTING POLCOUNS THAT THE SOUTH KOREANS, JAPANESE AND US EMBASSY OFFICERS MEET TO CONSIDER FURTHER STEPS TO ENSURE THAT INDONESIA, SRI LANKA, PERU, ZAIRE, AND LIBERIA FILE RESERVATIONS AT THE NACCFM SIMILAR TO THOSE THEY FILED AT COLOMBO. TAKING SIMILAR LINE TO THAT WHICH THE CHARGE TOOK WITH THE KOREAN AMBASSADOR, POLCOUNS SAID WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO CONSIDER MATTER, BUT WOULD WISH TO BE VERY CAREFUL THAT ANYTHING WE DID HERE WOULD BE HELPFUL.

5. BOTH CHARGE AND POLCOUNS IN THEIR SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS SAID THAT THEY THOUGHT REPRESENTATIONS BY THE RK AND JAPANESE EMBASSIES WOULD BE ENTIRELY APPROPRIATE UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES.
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